

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**The Maryland Department of Natural Resources**  
**Fishing and Boating Services**  
***2023 Recreational Black Sea Bass Fishery — Effective 5/15/2023***

**WHAT THIS NOTICE DOES**

The Secretary of the Maryland Department of Natural Resources announces the recreational season, catch limit, and minimum size for black sea bass. Effective 12:01 a.m. May 15, 2023:

- The season is open May 15, 2023, through September 30, 2023, and then reopens October 10, 2023, through December 31, 2023. It is closed all other dates.
- Anglers may keep up to 15 black sea bass per person per day.
- The minimum size is 13 inches.

**WHY THIS IS NECESSARY**

This action is necessary to implement the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission's Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Fishery Management Plan.

**WHO THIS NOTICE AFFECTS**

This applies to all individuals who catch black sea bass recreationally.

**AUTHORITY**

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